

REMARKS

Formal Matters

Both the title of the instant application and Claim 1 have amended. Support for the amendments can be found in, for example, but not limited by, paragraphs 26, 27, 29, and 30. No new matter has been added.

Restriction and Election under- 35 U.S.C. § 121

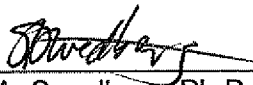
In the Office Action dated Jan. 15, 2008, restriction to the claims of the instant application under 35 U.S.C. § 121 was made. The Applicants provisionally elect Group I, drawn to Claims 1-6. The election is made without traverse. As per the suggestion made by Examiner Vargot in a telephonic interview of Jan. 30, 2008, the Applicants agree that Claims 1-6 are drawn to a method for preparing a substrate, classified in class 264, subclass 319.

Fee Authorization

Should any extension of time and/or fee be necessary for the timely submission of this paper, such extension of time is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge **Deposit Account No. 01-2213 (order no. 5195)**. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to this deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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